

Celebrating the Life of



Laquan Ray

Sunrise: June 4, 1998 - Sunset: March 27, 2022

Monday, April 4, 2022 - 9:30am

**Greater Zion Hill Baptist Church
2365 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10027**

Obituary

Laquan Ray aka “Quan” or “Quanny Rich” was born on June 4, 1998 to Aisha Ray-Beverly and Lamonte Southwell in Roosevelt Hospital in New York City.

Quan attended elementary school at the Children Storefront, he attended ASA for middle school and then he attended the Heritage School for high school. During his time attending school, Quan met so many friends and was well loved by many.

Laquan was loving, caring, charming, charismatic and thought he was a ladies man who loved to dress. Quan drove us all crazy with his silliness and stubbornness at times. Laquan would make you want to kill him and love him at the same time. Laquan was diagnosed with a brain tumor in October of 2019, and he said he was a fighter and proved to be just that. We admired his strength tremendously, the fight in him made others around him want to fight and support his fight. Laquan had a very strong support system which kept him focused on his fight. Although there were some bumps along the road Quan did not give up. Laquan kept fighting to the last breath and he was surrounded by all that loved him.

Laquan was called home on Sunday, March 27, at the young age of 23 from cancer. Laquan was preceded in death by his stepfather, Adjawah Beverly, grandmother, Jaonne Anderson, and grandfather, Allen Ray.

He leaves to mourn: one son, Karter Ferguson; one stepdaughter, Zonique Outlaw; his grandmothers, Berth Ray-Craig and Edna White; grandfather, Robert Craig; many siblings, Lanaya, Lashay and Phoenix Ray, Ashley Randolph, Adjawah Beverly, Siberus Jackson, London Beverly, Lamont, Marquis, Quasha, Christian, Amani, India and Lyrtic Southwell; many aunts and uncles, Shajuan Virgil-Hill, Allen Ray, Akeem Ray, Robin Ray, Shavonne Walker, Kenisha Wakefield, Lisa Crippen, Brandi Johnson, Latanya Morris, Lenora Jackson, Chantese Green, Connie McMillian, Lisa Fogle, Latroy, Laron and Lamel McBryde, Jermel Jackson, and Jabron Green; three nephews, Jaylen, Kaylin and Amari; four nieces, Tamia, Ashlynn, Oriah, and Ojanae; four godmothers, Andrea Edmonds, Denisha Choice, Sharene Marshall and Tyhessia Smallwood; two godfathers, Michael Smallwood and Michael Dempsey; a host of many cousins; godsisters and godbrothers; and friends that was dear to his heart.

“The world changes from year to year... Our lives from day to day... but the love and memory of you shall never pass away.”

Order of Service

Rev. Dr. Kelly D.Scott, Officiating

*Senior Pastor of Way to Life Ministries Prophetic Worship Center,
Harlem, NY*

Processional

Selection

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”
Lyndrick Simone

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

“Take Me To The King”
Lyndrick Simone

Reading of Reflection

Andrea Edmonds

Reading of Obituary

Mother Aisha Beverly

Selection

“Going Up Yonder”
Lyndrick Simone

Eulogy

Rev. Dr. Kelly D. Scott

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

INTERMENT:

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

*Your hope has sustained us, your friendship has surrounded us,
your love has given us strength. Thank you sincerely for your
kind expression of sympathy and thoughtfulness. It is deeply
appreciated and will always be remembered by our family.*

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